BPA Service Area & Columbia River Basin Figure 2.1 Columbia River Basin (CRB) 259659.4 sq. miles CRB in Canada 39989.2 sq. miles 15.4% of total CRB in USA/BPA 84.6% of total 219670.2 sq. miles 47812.1 sq. miles 56098.5 sq. miles 79962.5 sq. miles **18.4%** of total CRB in Washington 21.6% of total 30.8% of total 9.7% of total CRB in Oregon CRB in Idaho CRB in Montana 25121.0 sq. miles CRB in other states 10676.1 sq. miles 4.1% of total (NV, UT, WY) Columbia River Basin CANADA MONTANA WASHINGTON **OREGON IDAHO** YONING **CALIFORNIA UTAH** NEVADA **BPA Service Area BPA Service Territory** 315434.8 sq. miles 0mi 100mi 200mi **BPA** in Washington 67477.8 sq. miles 21.4% of total BPA in Oregon 96911.4 sq. miles 30.7% of total 83425.0 sq. miles 26.4% of total BPA in Idaho 38969.3 sq. miles 28651.3 sq. miles BPA in Montana 12.4% of total 9.1% of total BPA in other states (CA,NV, UT, WY) 0km 100km 200km 300km 400km

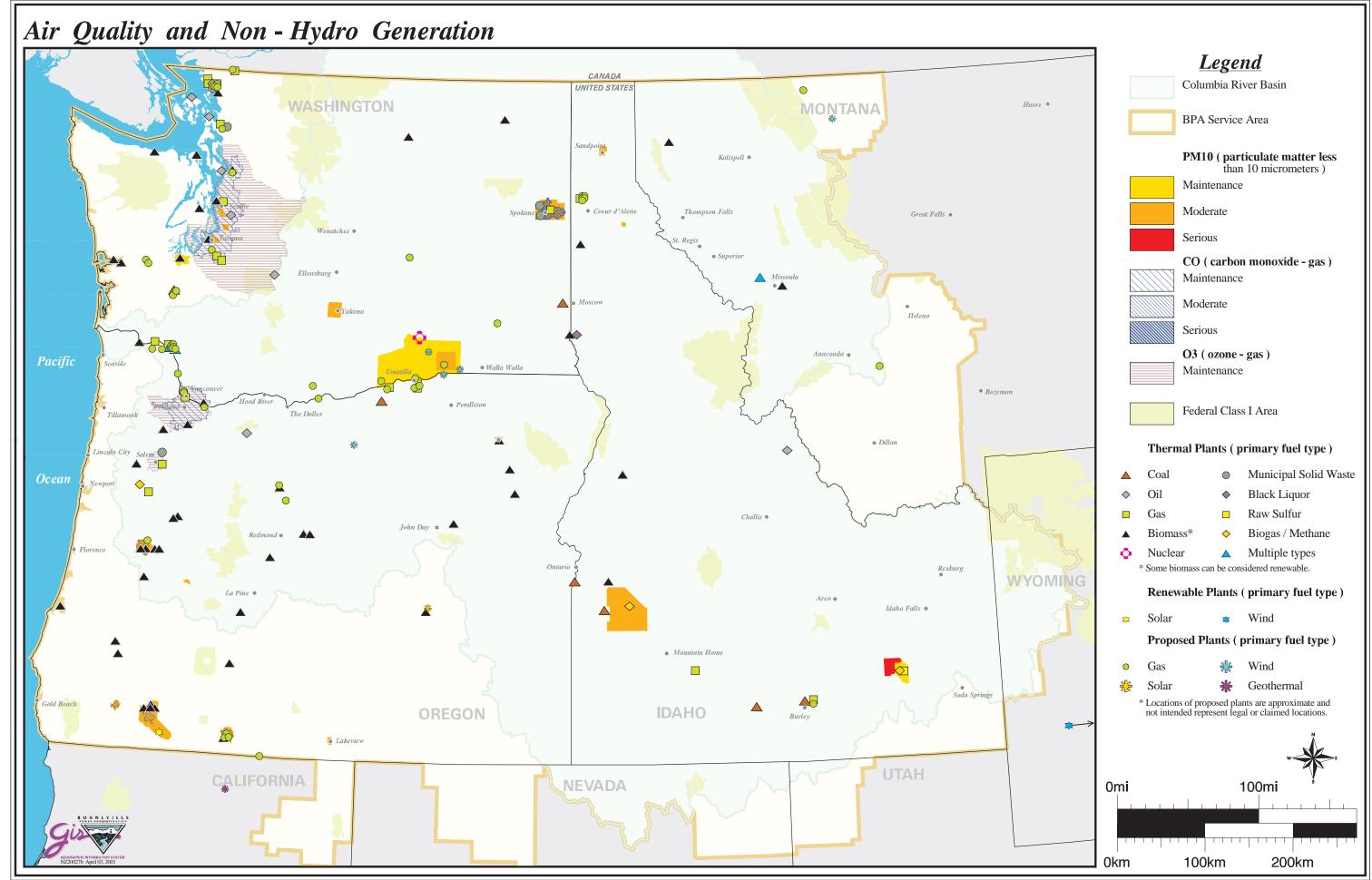


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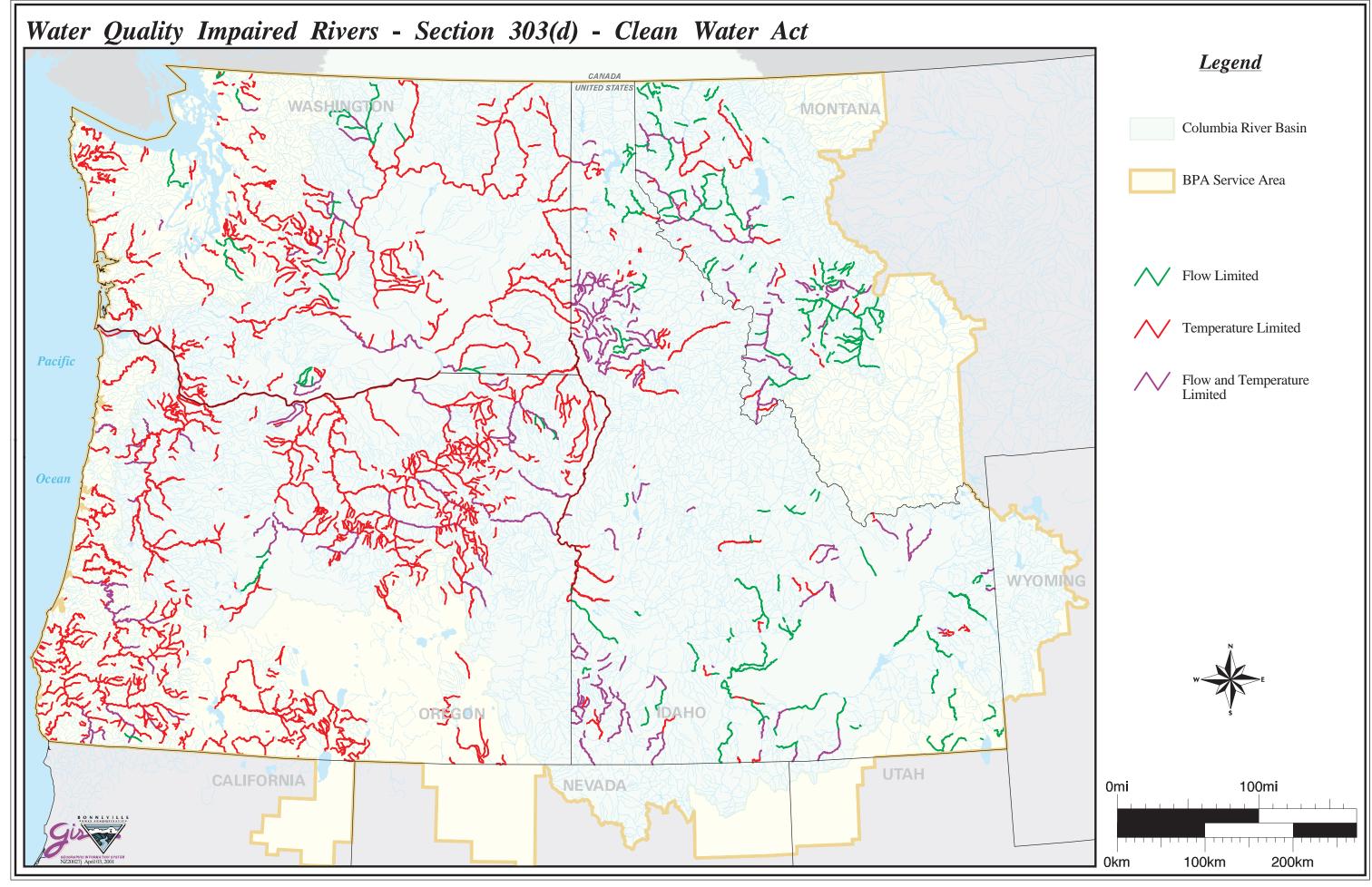


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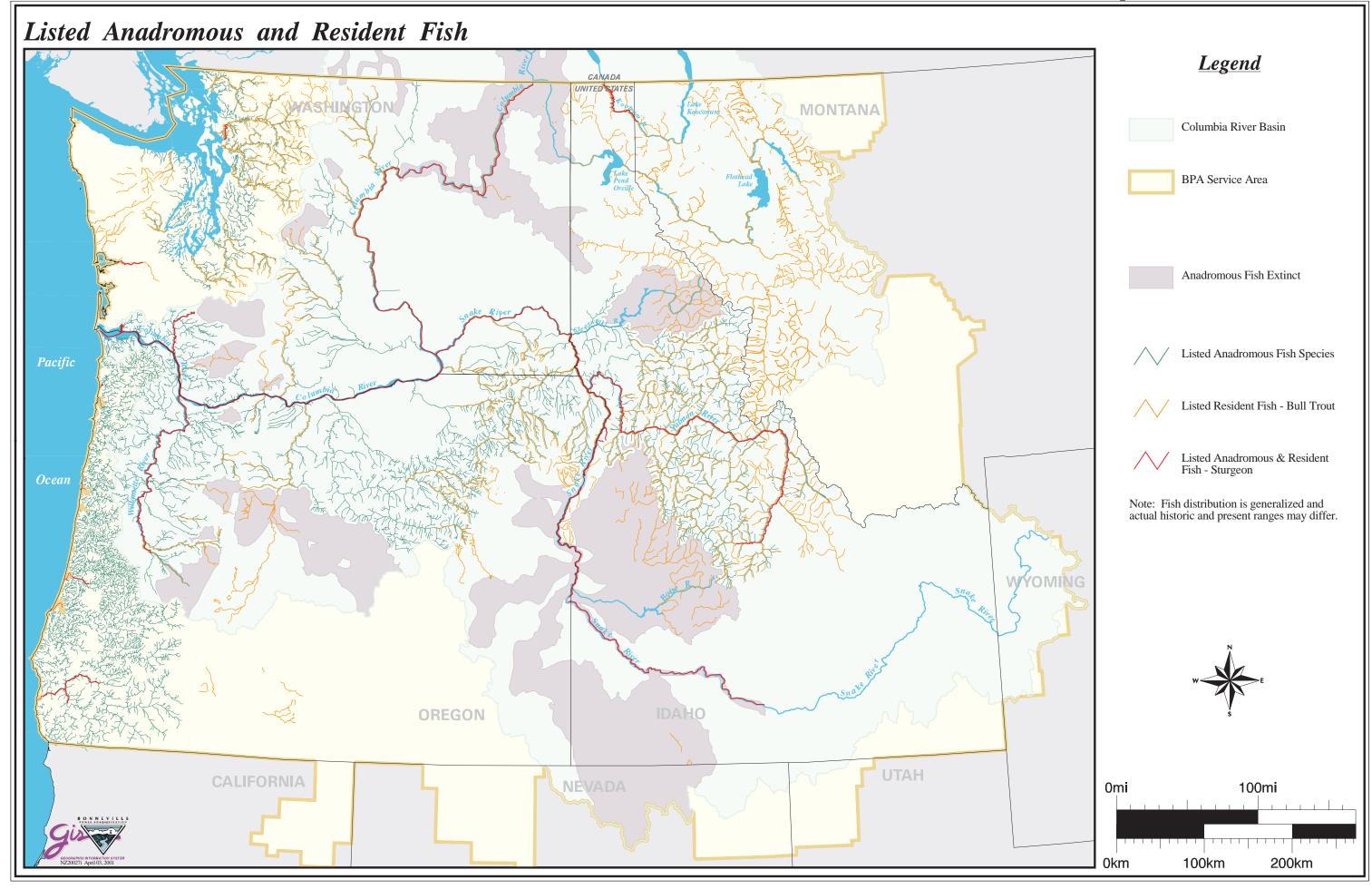


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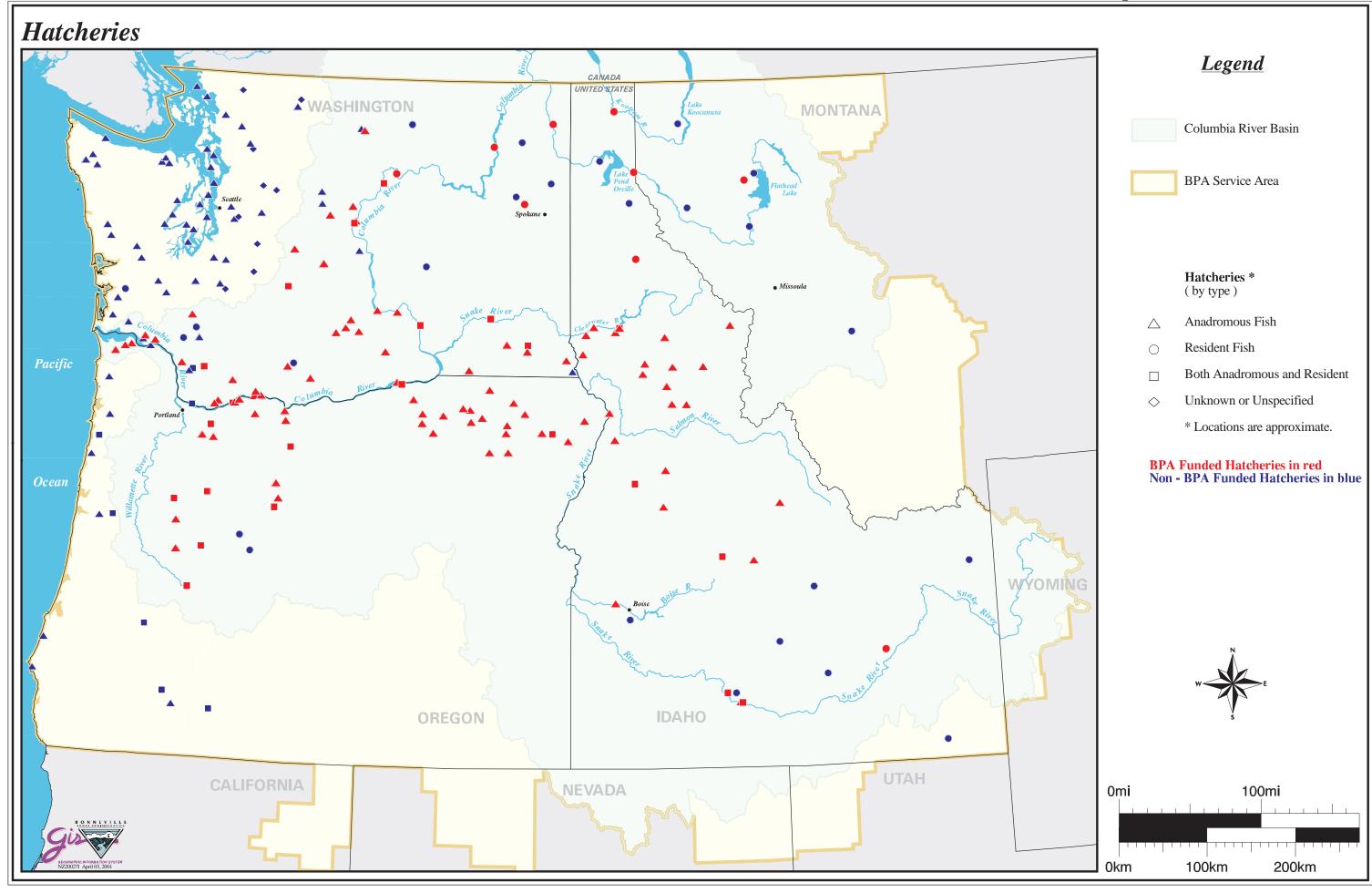


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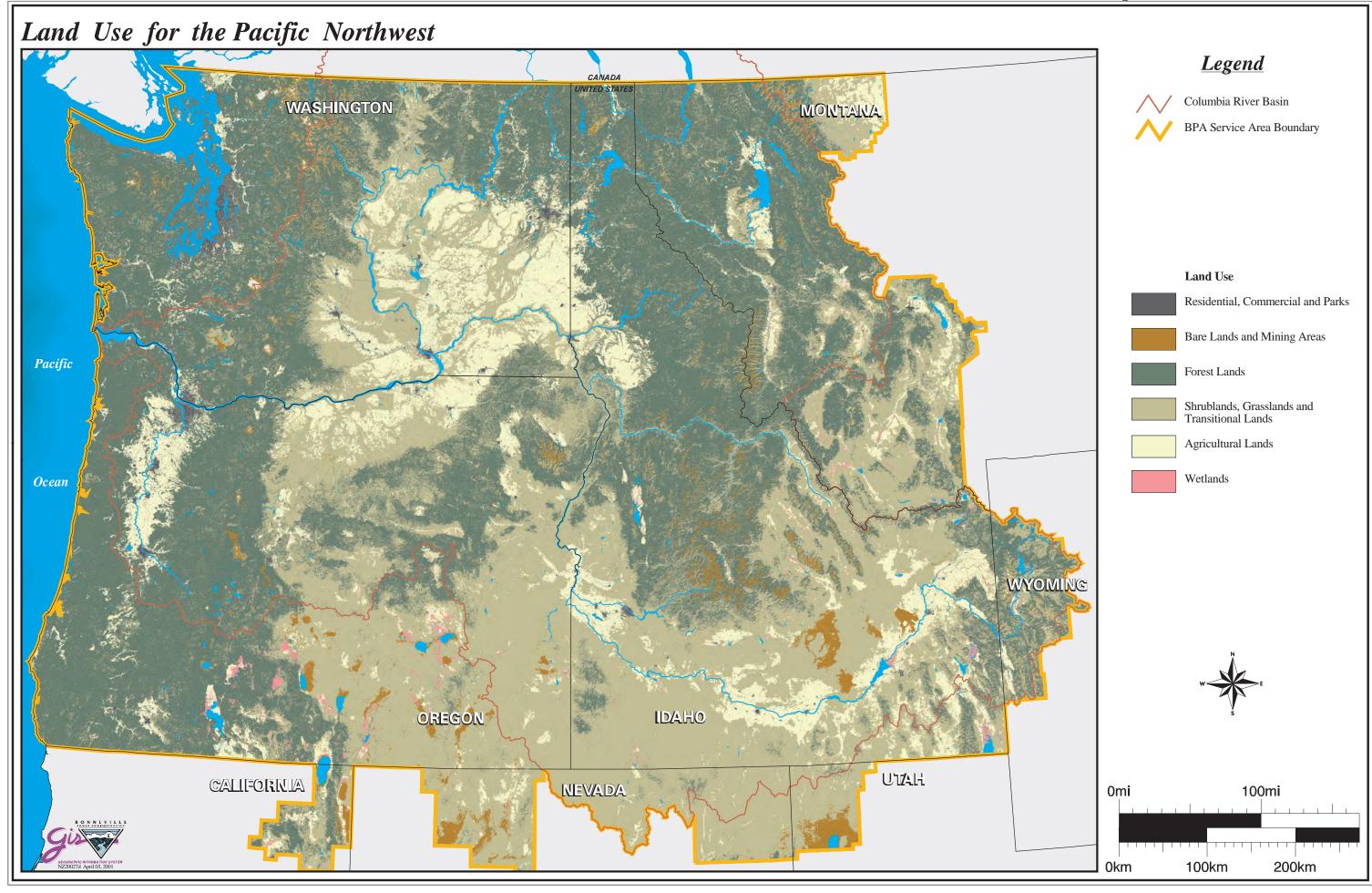


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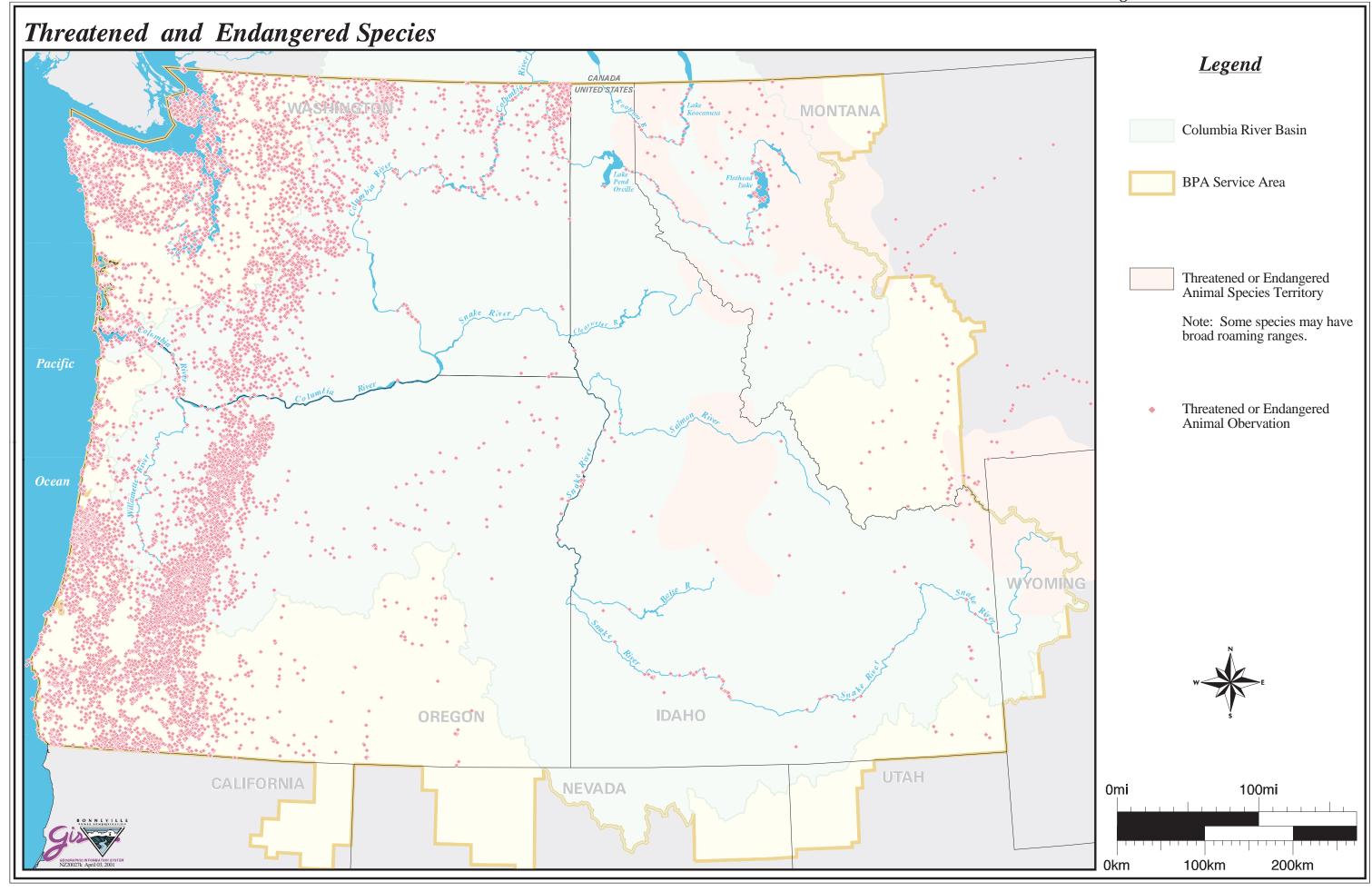


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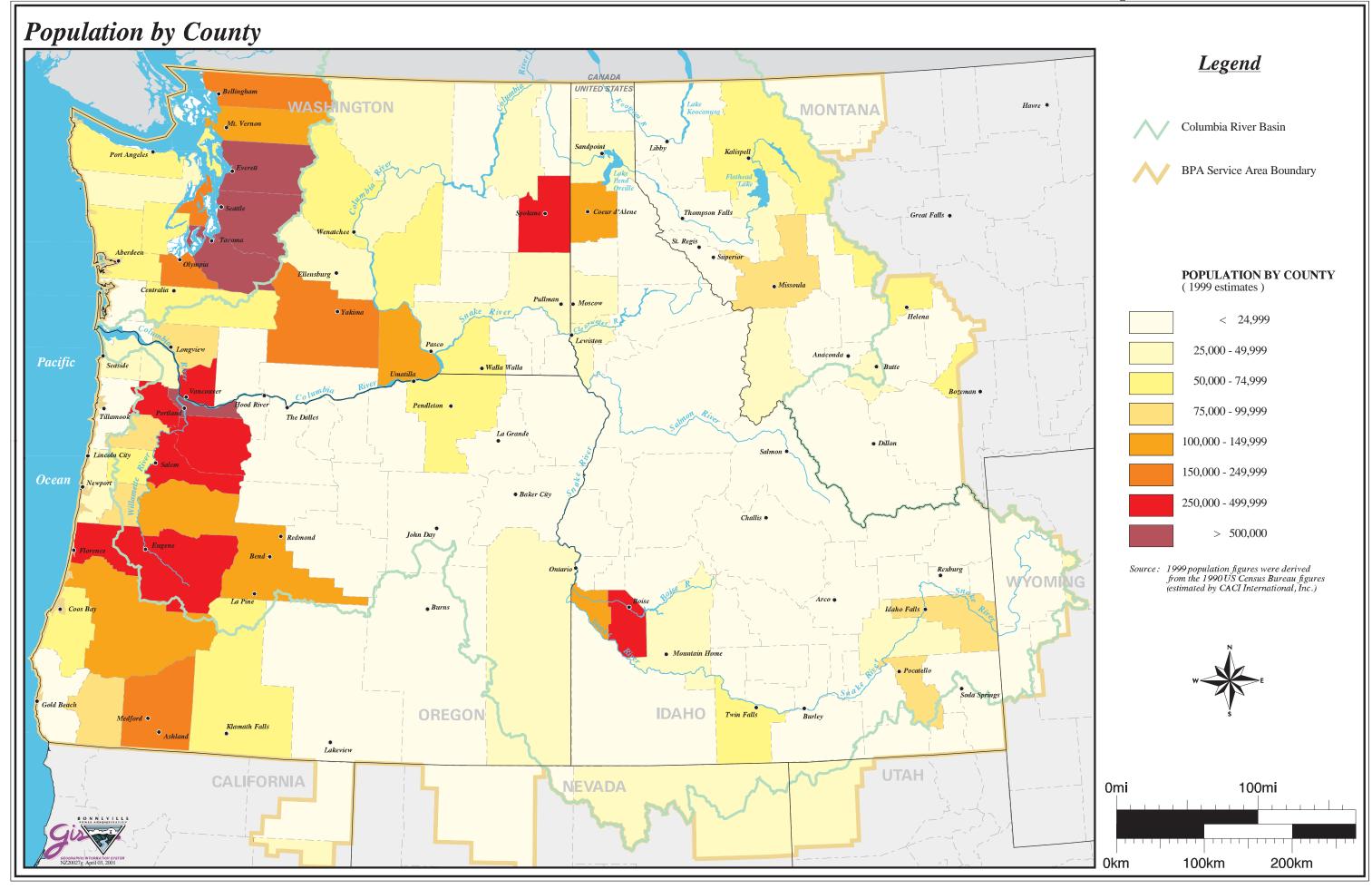
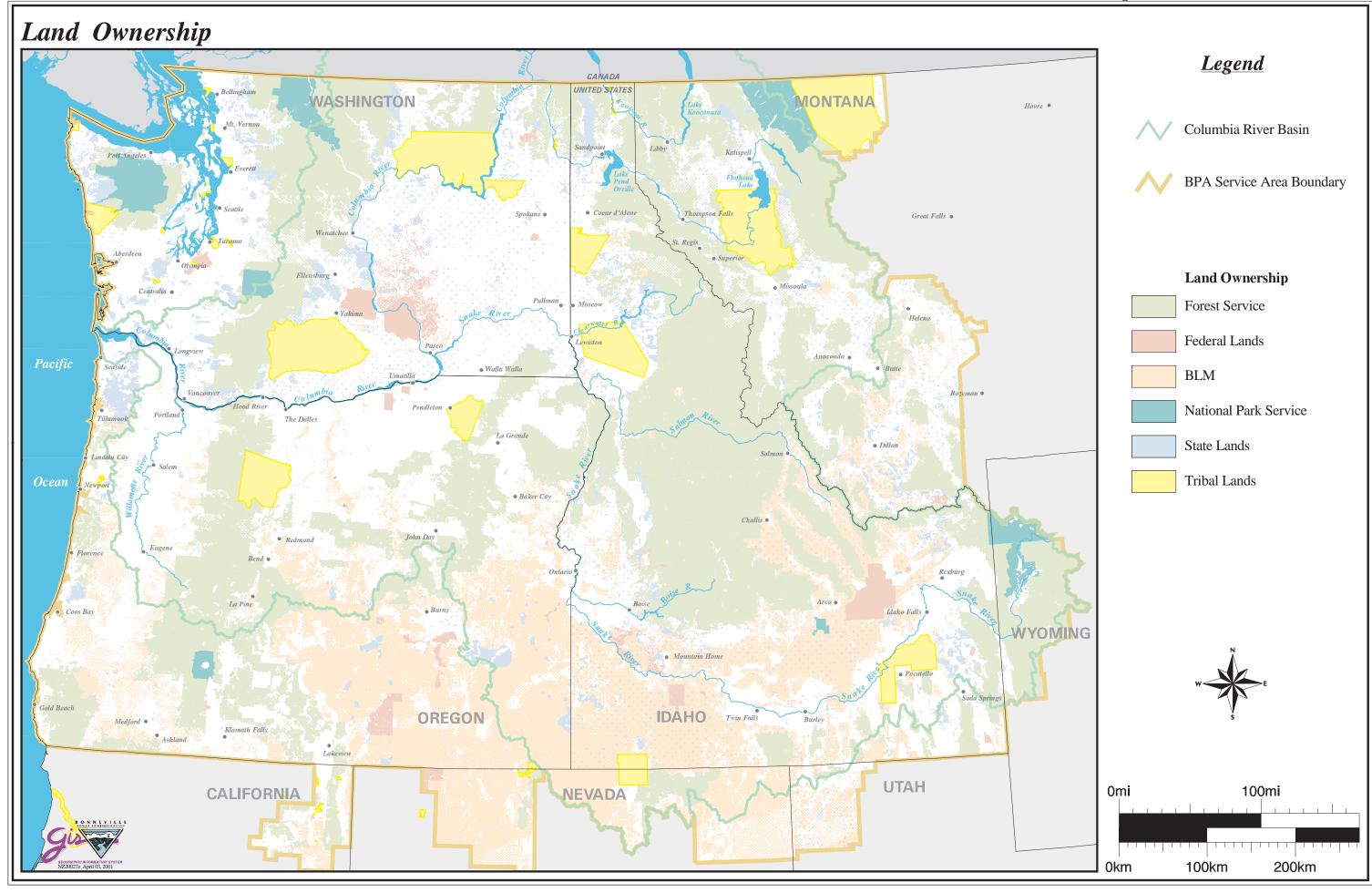
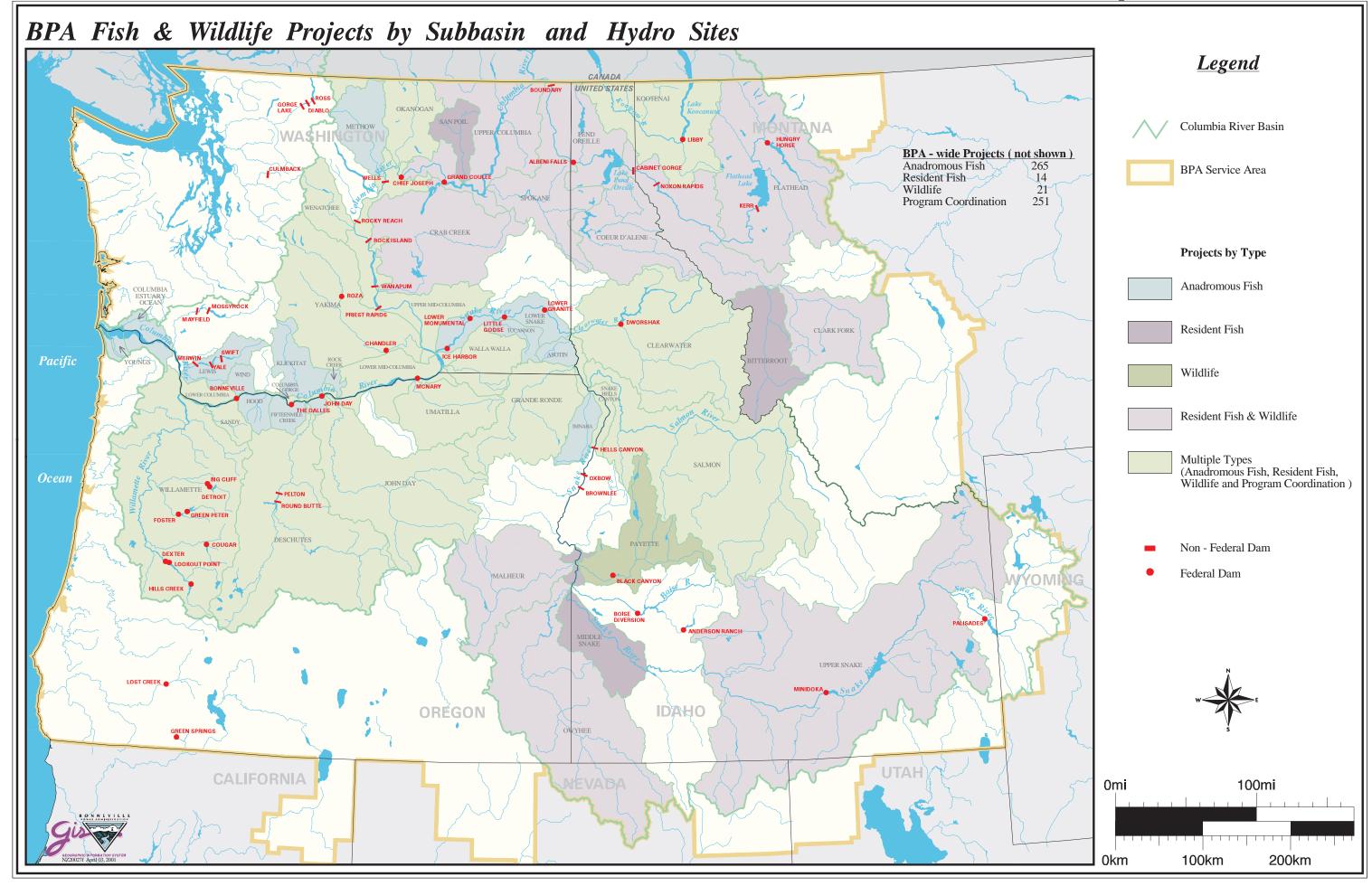


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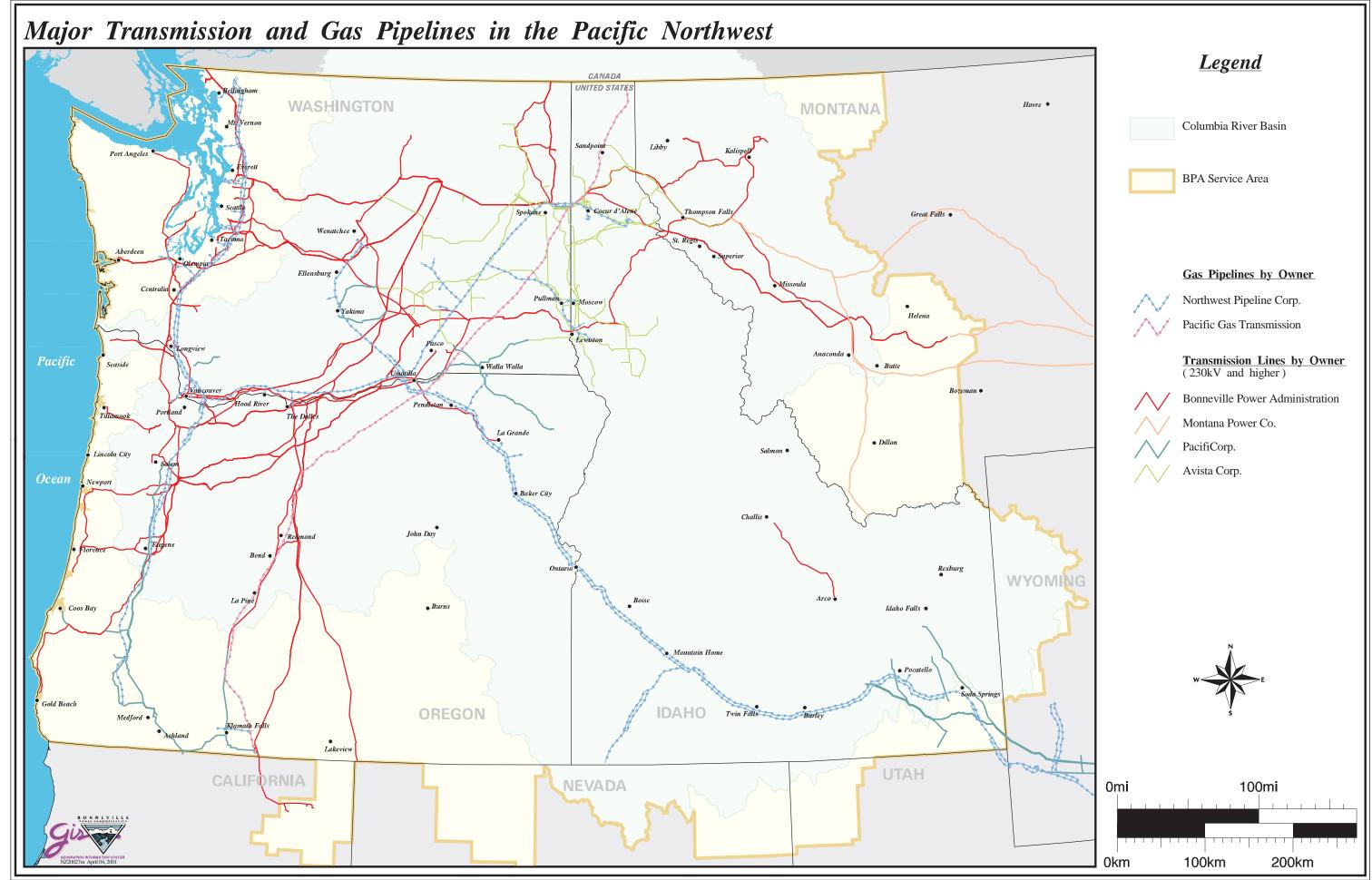
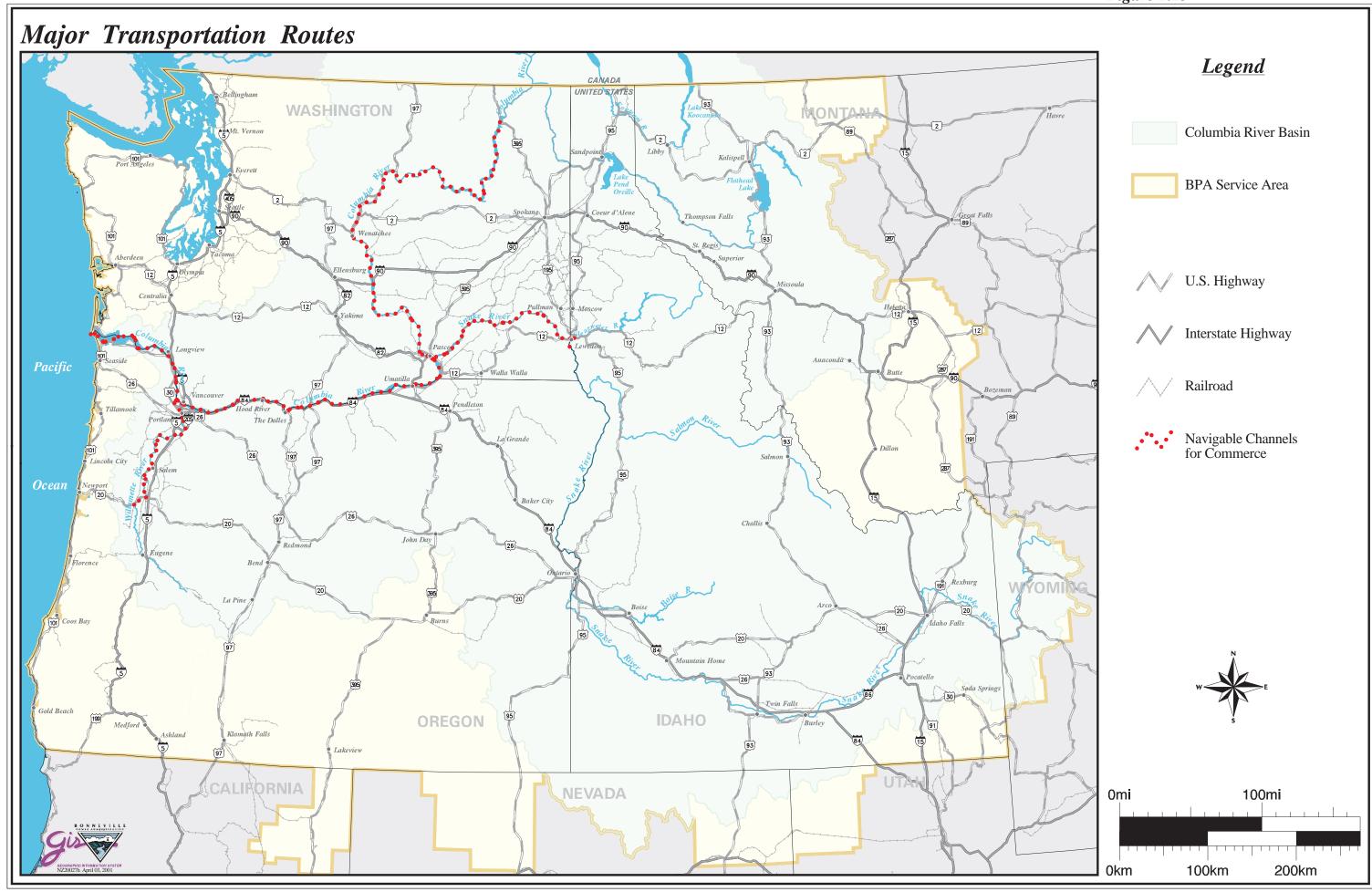


Figure 2.15







- Improve survival of targeted fish and wildlife populations
- · Restore, maintain, and enhance terrestrial and wetland habitats
- Protect and preserve upland and riparian habitats
- · Reduce human activities
- · Reduce soil disturbances
- · Provide properly functioning ecosystems



- · Modify river channels and stream beds
- · Improve water quality
- Reduce discharges of point and nonpoint source pollutants to waterways
- · Reduce stormwater runoff and erosion
- · Restore natural hydrology
- · Remove fish passage obstructions

Associated Side Effects on Humans



Possible adverse effects

- · Restricted tourism
- · Reduced sport and commercial fishing
- · Reduced hunting
- · Reduced agriculture
- · Reduced timber harvest
- · Limited livestock grazing
- · Constrained urban and rural development
- · Modified hydro operations

Mitigation measures

- Compensation through lease purchase and other incentives
- · Landscape considerations
- · Shift employment and economies



Possible adverse effects

Impacts to culture, health, and spirituality

Mitigation measures

Compensation



- Improve the diversity, distribution, and viability of fish and wildlife populations
- Reduce "take" of designated critical habitat
- · Perform enforcement, research, monitoring, and public education



Possible adverse effects

- · Land acquisition costs
- · Land use compensation
- · Increased mitigation costs
- Increased program costs

Mitigation measures

- · Modify level of habitat-oriented actions
- Maximize effectiveness of fish and wildlife expenditures
- · Spread costs proportionately



Possible adverse effects

Exposure of archeological and historical resources

Mitigation measures

- · Protection and documentation
- ·Planning



Possible adverse effects

· Changes in scenic qualities

Mitigation measures

· Siting and visual considerations





· Development of facilities to support



- Effluent from fish processing plants River traffic and water pollution from



- Population viability
- Diversity
- Distribution
- Control of predatory species
- Selective harvest seasons
- Selective harvest techniques
- Change in regulations
- Change in hatcheries operations
- Buy-back of commercial fishing licenses
- · State and federal compensation

Associated Side Effects on Humans



Possible adverse effects

- · Economic value of harvested species
- · Reduced commercial fishing industry
- · Altered tourism
- · Reduced employment
- · Impacts on urban and rural development

Mitigation measures

- · Federal and state subsidies
- · Species substitutions
- · Buyout fishing permits



Possible adverse effects

- · Reduced employment
- Impacts to cultural, health, and spiritual values

Mitigation measures

- · Provide for treaty fishing
- Transfer some hatchery operations to tribes



Possible adverse effects

- Cost of implementation and enforcement of regulations
- State and federal subsidies

Mitigation measures

- · Public education
- · Compensation
- · Retraining and retooling



Possible adverse effects

Impacts to cultural traditions associated with hunting and fishing

Mitigation measures

Federal and state subsidies



Possible adverse effects

None identified



· Minimal loss of terrestrial or riparian



- Contamination from hatchery effluent
- Disease organisms from hatchery
- Reduced water flow and level from hatchery diversions
- Fewer nutrients



- · Increased harvest and predator pressure on wild fish
- Increased competition for food and habitat for wild fish
 Genetic changes in fish stocks from
- artificial selection and breeding
- Reduced biodiversity
- · Disease transmission to wild fish
- Fish migration impeded by hatchery weirs and water

Associated Side Effects on Humans



Possible adverse effects

- · Altered hydro operations
- · Regulated sport and commercial fishing
- · Shifted tourism
- · Altered employment

Mitigation measures

- · Provide for sport and commercial fishing demand
- · Hatchery research



Possible adverse effects

- · Disenfranchisement of tribes as resource managers
- Economic impacts
- · Amount and type of fish available for tribal harvest
- · Tribal trust and treaty rights

Mitigation measures

- · Provide for treaty fishing
- · Transfer some hatchery operations to tribes



Possible adverse effects

· Fiscal impacts to tribal, state, and federal fish and wildlife programs

Mitigation measures

· Modify level of hatchery operations



Possible adverse effects

Public perception that hatcheries mitigate habitat loss or degradation

Mitigation measures

· Public education



Possible adverse effects

· Visual effects of hatcheries in natural settings

Mitigation measures

· Appropriate landscape siting criteria



- Connectivity of riparian and wetland habitats
- · Erosion control measures
- · Create replacement habitat

other water control facilities



Possible adverse effects

- · Modified hydro operations and loss of
- Affordable, reliable power supply
- Reduced commercial and sport fishing
- Constrained transportation and navigation
- Loss of irrigated croplands
- Reduced aluminum-producing facilities
- Reduced or delayed urban and rural development

Mitigation measures

- · Hatchery production
- · Facility siting considerations
- · Pollution and erosion controls
- · Efficient transportation practices



- Increase aquatic habitat volume, area, and quality through dam modifications and changes in operations
- Control water quality, fish passage, and in-reservoir storage
- Reservoir drawdown
- · Altered river flows—daily and seasonally
- · Altered water withdrawal
- · Modified streambeds and stream banks
- Changes in channel morphology from reduced sediments downstream



Possible adverse effects

- · Impacts to tribal treaty rights
- · Impacts to traditional cultural properties
- Impacts to culture, health, and spirituality
- · Impacts to tribal employment

Mitigation measures

- · Modify hydro operations
- · Improve and expand hatcheries
- · Provide compensation



- Increase survival of targeted species by improved aquatic habitat and migration conditions
- Changes in reservoir and diversion operations
- Changes in hydrosystem facilities
- Changes in fish numbers, species composition, and distribution
- · Trucking or barging of fish
- · Hatchery management



Possible adverse effects

- · Increased costs for irrigating farmland
- · Increased costs for fish and wildlife recovery/mitigation programs
- · Impact on property values
- · Energy costs
- · Cost of incentives for farmers to grow nonirrigated crops

Mitigation measures

· Reduce level of hydro modifications



Possible adverse effects

· Loss or exposure of archeological and historical sites

Mitigation measures

· Documentation and protection





Possible adverse effects

- Emissions from replacement energy generation facilities
- Pollution control devices
- Dust

Mitigation measures

- Shift to thermal generation or renewable resources
- · Increase power imports or reduce exports
- · Reduce electricity use (conservation)



Possible adverse effects

Views of natural environment are disturbed

Mitigation measures

Zoning and design criteria in land use regulations



- · Habitat degradation
- Erosion
- Loss of habitat (including riparian habitat)
- · Loss of habitat connectivity

Mitigation measures:

- · Manage forests to benefit wildlife
- Restore harvested land to native habitat
- Improve forest structure, pattern, and species composition



Possible adverse effects:

- · Runoff
- Pollution
- · Sedimentation

Mitigation measures:

- Modify forestry practices to control runoff
- · Close or obliterate forest roads
- Manage riparian areas for water quality



Possible adverse effects:

- · Fish and wildlife population viability
- · Fish and wildlife density
- · Fish and wildlife diversity

- · Regulations and enforcement
- Modify harvest techniques
- Close or obliterate forest roads
- Protect lands to allow natural habitat development



- · Habitat degradation
- Erosion
- Loss of habitat and habitat
- connectivity
 Crops provide food source and open spaces

Mitigation measures:

- Manage range land and cropland to benefit wildlife
 Convert land to native habitat



Possible adverse effects:

- · Runoff
- · Water diversion
- Pollution
- Sedimentation

Mitigation measures:

- · Fence out livestock
- Modify agricultural practices to control runoff
- · Retire irrigated land
- · Screen irrigation diversions to protect salmon



Possible adverse effects:

Sedimentation reduces fish egg survival

- Pollution control measures
- Buffers
- · Habitat connectivity



- · Habitat degradation
- · Loss of habitat
- · Loss of habitat connectivity
- Erosion
- · Weed dispersal and simplification

Mitigation measures:

- Locate recreational activities away from fish and wildlife habitat
- · Public education
- · Regulations and enforcement
- · Density management
- · Habitat restoration
- · Native landscaping



Possible adverse effects:

- Habitat degradation
- · Loss of habitat
- · Pollution

Mitigation measures:

- Locate recreational activities away from fish and wildlife habitat
- · Public education
- · Regulations and enforcement



Possible adverse effects:

- · Fish and wildlife population viability
- · Fish and wildlife density
- · Fish and wildlife diversity
- · Harassment
- · Hunting and fishing

- Regulations and enforcement
- Public education
- Develop or improve alternative recreational opportunities



- · Habitat loss and degradation
- Erosion

Mitigation measures:

- Land management practices to benefit fish and wildlife
- Convert mined areas to native or reclaimed habitat



Possible adverse effects:

- · Runoff
- · Water diversion
- · Pollution and sedimentation

Mitigation measures:

- Modify mining practices to control runoff and sedimentation
- Convert mined areas to native habitat
- Enhance buffers



Possible adverse effects:

- Fish and wildlife population liveability
- · Fish and wildlife diversity
- Fish and wildlife distribution

- Convert mined areas to native habitat
- Modify mining practices to control pollution and runoff



- Habitat loss or degradation
- · Erosion
- · Loss of habitat connectivity
- · Increased wildfire hazards

Mitigation measures:

- · Locate urbanization away from sensitive areas
- · Acquire easements of sensitive habitat
- · Public education
- · Retain roadless areas
- · Regulations and enforcement
- · Road maintenance and improvements
- · Limit public access or use



Possible adverse effects:

- · Runoff
- · Water diversion
- · Pollution and sedimentation

Mitigation measures:

- Acquire easements of sensitive habitat
- · Pollution control measures
- · Limit public access or use
- Buffers
- · Aquire water rights



Possible adverse effects:

- Fish and wildlife population viabilityFish and wildlife distribution
- · Fish and wildlife diversity

- · Zoning to protect fish and wildlife
- Locate urbanization away from sensitive areas
- Preserves



- · Habitat degradation
- · Loss of habitat
- · Land use conversions
- · Fragmentation from water conveyance structures

Mitigation measures:

- · Retire irrigated land
- · Fallow irrigated land during dry years
- Dryland farmingAquifer storage and recovery



Possible adverse effects:

- · Dewatering of streams and rivers
- Change in water levels and flows
- Impede access to fish spawning
- Lower groundwater tables

Mitigation measures:

- Irrigation water conservation techniques
- Convert land to dryland farming or native habitat
- · Aquifer storage and recovery



Possible adverse effects:

- Fish mortality or stressFish and wildlife populations

- Screen irrigation diversions to avoid fish mortality
- Convert land to native habitat



- Relatively large loss of habitatConstruction-related erosion

Mitigation measures:

- Locate generating facilities away from sensitive areas
- Erosion control measures



Possible adverse effects:

· Construction-related runoff

Mitigation measures:

· Erosion control measures



Possible adverse effects:

- Fish and wildlife populations
 Injuries from contact with generating facilities

- Mitigation measures:

 Locate generating facilities away from sensitive areas
- Modify design of generating facilities



- · Habitat degradation
- · Relatively small habitat loss

Mitigation measures:

- Locate generating facilities away from sensitive areas
- · Emission control measures



Possible adverse effects:

- Pollution
- · Increased water temperature
- · Water diversions

Mitigation measures:

- · Pollution control measures
- Water cooling measuresAcquire water rights



Possible adverse effects:

- · Fish and wildlife population liveability

 Fish and wildlife diversity
- · Fish and wildlife distribution
- Collisions

- · Locate generating facilities away from sensitive areas
- · Emission control measures



- · Construction- and maintenance-
- related erosion
- Loss of habitat
- · Vegetation removal and herbicide
- Habitat fragmentation Migration barriers
- · Weed dispersal

- Mitigation measures:

 Nontoxic vegetation removal
- · Erosion control measures
- · Locate lines to avoid sensitive areas
- · Vegetation conversions



Possible adverse effects:

· Construction- and maintenancerelated runoff

Mitigation measures:

Modify construction and maintenance practices



Possible adverse effects:

- · Fish and wildlife distribution
- · Fish and wildlife population movement
- Collisions
- · Electrocution

Mitigation measures:

· Locate lines to avoid sensitive areas